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1. ZAIRE AND ANGOLA --

ZAIREAN PERM REP UMBA DI LUTETE IS DESCRIBING THE SITUATION IN ZAIRE IN HIS CONVERSATIONS AS "GRAVE," BUT DOES NOT PLAN TO ASK FOR AN SC MEETING AT THIS TIME, OR UNTIL HE RECEIVES SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO THAT EFFECT. HE REPORTED THE AGGRESSION FROM ANGOLA IN LETTERS TO THE SC PRESIDENT AND THE SYG, AND SAID HE HAS SPOKEN WITH THE SYG AND LOCAL OAU OFFICE AND PLANNED TO TELEPHONE SC MEMBERS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 707)

2. NAMIBIA --

COMMITTEE OF 24 DRAFT CONSENSUS ON NAMIBIA, WHICH PROBABLY WILL BE VOTED ON WEEK OF MARCH 14, CONSIDERS, INTER ALIA, CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT: THE SC SHOULD CONSIDER TAKING ALL APPROPRIATE MEASURES UNDER THE CHARTER, INCLUDING ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA; AND SHOULD SOUTH AFRICA SEEK TO TRANSFER ANY POWERS TO A PUPPET INTERIM REGIME IN NAMIBIA, THE GA SHOULD MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION TO DETERMINE WHAT ACTION MAY BE REQUIRED. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 708)

3. SECURITY COUNCIL AND APARTHIED --

MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN GROUP HAVE PREPARED FOUR WORKING PAPER ON APARTHEID, CURRENTLY BEING STUDIED BY THE AFRICAN GROUP AS A WHOLE, WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO NONALIGNED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SC DISCUSSION OF SOUTH AFRICA WHICH IS TO BEGIN MARCH 21. THESE WOULD CALL FOR: I, END TO VIOLENCE AND REPRESSION, RELEASE OF PERSONS IMPRISONED FOR OPPOSITION TO APARTHIED, END TO MURDERS IN DETENTION AND TORTURE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, AND END TO "BANTU EDUCATION" SYSTEM AND BANTUSTKANIZATION; II, SOUTH AFRICA TO COMPLY WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER UN CHARTER AND PROVISIONS OF RELEVANT

SC RESOLUTIONS, AND, IN CASE OF NON-COMPLIANCE, THE SC WOULD CONSIDER CHAPTER VII ACTION; III, UNDER CHAPTER VII PROHIBITION OF SCALE AND SHIPMENT TO SOUTH AFRICA OF ARMS, AMMUNITION OF ALL TYPES AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES, AND MATERIAL FOR THEIR MANUFACTURE OF MAINTANANCE; IV, CESSATION OF ALL INVESTMENTS OR LOANS TO SOUTH AFRICA AS WELL AS REFRAINING FROM AGREEMENTS OR MEASURES TO PROMOTE TRADE OR OTHER ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 710, 712, 713)

4. UN CHARTER REVIEW --

DISCUSSION OF WHAT TO DO WITH THE MEXICAN LIST OF PROPOSALS FOR CHARTER REVIEW CONTINUES TO BE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS AMONG COMMITTEE MEMBER, WITH GREAT MAJORITY RECOGNIZING MEXICO HAS CREATED FALSE ISSUE BY FORCING ISSUANCE
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OF THE LIST AND INSISTING ON ITS ANNEXATION. VARIOUS DELEGATIONS FROM AFRICA AND ESLEWHERE ARE MAKING EFFORTS TO COME UP WITH COMPROMISE, BUT MEXICANS, COLOMBIANS, ALGERIANS AND TUNISIANS SEEM ANXIOUS TO RAM THROUGH A DECISION TO ANNEX THE LIST, WHATEVER THE COST. SOVIETS ARE TEMPTED TO GIVE MEXICANS THE FIGHT THEY SEEM TO BE SEEKING AND LET THEM REFLECT ON THE DAMAGE TO THE COMMITTEE THAT WILL RESULT. US, UK AND FRENCH DELS HAVE BEEN SEEKING TO ENCOURAGE MODERATES.

DURING COURSE OF DAY MARCH 10, US, UK, FRENCH AND USSR LISTED ALTERNATIVES AND AGREED ON POSSIBLE COMPROMISES, AND SOVIETS DISPLAYED LESS RIGIDITY THAN PREVIOUSLY. LATER, THE FOUR DELS MET WITH PHILIPPINES, ROMANIA AND MEXICO WITH COMMITTEE RAPPOREUR (INDONESIA) PRESIDING. THIS TIME THE SOVIETS MOVED ONLY SLIGHTLY FROM THEIR WELL-KNOWN POSITION AND MEXICANS EVEN LESS, BUT OTHER ATTENDEES PROGRESSED TOWARD GENERAL AREA OF AGREEMENT. AFTER THE WORKING GROUP APPROVED FINAL PORTIONS OF ITS REPORT, NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED WITH ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS AND CHAIRMAN BROMS (FINLAND) AND THE RAPPOREUR WORKED PARTICULARLY HARD TO ACHIEVE A COMPROMISE. HOWEVER, MEXICAN DEL (LOPEZ BASSOLS) REFUSED TO LISTEN TO ANY SUGGESTION THAT DID NOT INCLUDE ANNEXATION IN SOME FORM. FINALLY, OTHER REVISIONISTS, LED BY PHILIPPINES, PRESSED HIM TO EXERCISE FLEXIBILITY. DISCUSSION IS TO CONTINUE, AND IT SEEMS PROBABLE IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO AVOID HAVING TO VOTE ON ANNEXING THE MEXICAN LIST. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 694, 714)

5. SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT (SSOD) --

AT INFORMAL MEETING OF WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER GROUP

ALL AGREED THAT A FIVE-MEMBER BUREAU (CHAIRMAN, THREE VICE
CHAIRMEN AND RAPPOREUR) FOR THE SSOD PREPARATORY COMMITTEE,
AS PROPOSED BY THE NONALIGNED, WAS PREFERABLE, THOUGH NO
ONE STRONGLY OBJECTED TO IDEA OF 10-MEMBER BUREAU AS FAVORED
BY EASTERN EUROPEANS. BOTH YUGOSLAVIA AND ROMANIA WERE
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REPORTED TO BE SEEKING EE SEAT ON BUREAU. PRIVATELY,
SWEDES TOLD US THAT SOVIETS AND POLES SAID GDR WOULD ALSO BE
CANDIDATE, THOUGH GDR MISSION APPARENTLY NOT YET AWARE OF THIS.
SWEDEN, CANADA AND EC-9 ENDORSED NORWEGIAN CANDIDACY TO
REPRESENT WEO GROUP ON PREPCOM BUREAU. BRITISH RECALLED
EARLIER WEO DECISION TO SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS TO PERMIT PART-
ICIPATION, AS OBSERVER, OF INTERESTED NON-MEMBERS OF PREPCOM,
AND NORWEGIANS VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE LEAD IN DEVELOPING
SUITABLE FORMULA IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHER WEO'S.
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6. AMB YOUNG SPEAKS TO NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN --

AMB YOUNG, IN SPEAKING TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN MARCH 10, SAID IN PART: "PEACE IS DIFFERENT IN DIFFERENT PLACES. PEACE FOR ISRAEL IS SECURITY. BUT PERHAPS PEACE IN CERTAIN ARAB LANDS IF DEVELOPMENT. WHEN THEY HUNGER AND WHEN THEY HAVE NO EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY, AND WHEN THEIR CHILDREN DIE OF ILL HEALTH, THEN THEY CAN'T CALL THAT PEACE. ... TIME AFTER TIME WHEN RESOLUTIONS CAME UP ON THE FLOOR OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL, PERTAINING TO FREEDOM IN AFRICA, THOSE MEASURES WERE VETOED BY THE USA. AND YET THERE WAS NOBODY IN AFRICA THAT COULD GET BACK AT US BECAUSE WE WERE TOO STRONG. AND SO THEY SOUGHT TO TAKE OUT THEIR FRUSTRATIONS AGAINST THE USA, AGAINST OUR SMALLEST AND MOST VULNERABLE ALLY. AND I WOULD COMMEND TO YOU TODAY THAT AS THIS ADMINISTRATION IMPROVES ITS POLICY TOWARD THE REST OF THE WORLD, THAT THE ATTITUDES ON THE PART OF THE REST OF THE WORLD ARE CERTAINLY GOING TO IMPROVE TOWARD ISRAEL."

CONTINUING, AMB YOUNG STATED: "ISRAEL HAS DEMONSTRATED MORE CONCERN FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD PER CAPITA THAN ANY OTHER NATION ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. THEIR EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPING THEIR LAND FROM A DESERT AND MAKING IT BLOOM WAS EXTREMELY RELEVANT TO THE DEVELOPING PEOPLES OF THE WORLD. THEY SHARED THEIR INSIGHTS AND THEIR INTELLIGENCE IN REGARD TO THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT. IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT POLITICS BROKE THAT RELATIONSHIP, FOR THAT RELATIONSHIP IS ONE OF THE MOST NEEDED RELATIONSHIPS

IN THE WORLD TODAY. ... WORLD PROBLEMS CAN NEVER BE NEGOTIATED
BY CODE WORDS AND BY SIGNS AND THROUGH THE NEWSPAPERS.
THE PROBLEMS CAN NEVER BE NEGOTIATED AS A RESULT OF POLITICAL
RHETORIC REGARDLESS OF WHAT SIDE IT COMES FROM. THE PROBLEMS
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CAN ONLY BE NEGOTIATED BY THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO LIVE
WITH THE SOLUTIONS AND WHO SIT DOWN FACE TO FACE AND
DECIDE HOW MUCH THEY ARE WILLING TO RISK THEIR OWN LIVES IN
ORDER TO TRUST THEIR NEIGHBORS."

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7. COURTESY CALL ON FRENCH UN REPRESENTATIVE --

AMB YOUNG, ACCOMPANIED BY MCHENRY, PAID COURTESY CALL ON
FRENCH PERMREP LEPRETTE, WHO HOPED FOR CONTINUED CLOSE US/
FRENCH WORKING RELATIONSHIP BUT NOTED THE TWO SOMETIMES
HAD DIFFERENT SEPARATE INTERESTS. HE CITED FRENCH INABILITY
TO AGREE WITH US ON KOREA (SIC) AND VIETNAM WHEN THESE
ISSUES WERE BEFORE UN. HE SAID THAT THE FRENCH WERE
INTERESTED ONLY IN PEACE IN DJIBOUTI BUT WERE CONCERNED
ABOUT ETHIOPIA'S APPROACH. FRANCE HOPED TO KEEP THE DOOR
OPEN FOR A STATUS REFERENDUM ON MAYOTTE WITHIN
THREE YEARS WHICH WOULD KEEP IT IN COMORO GROUP. (CONFIDENTIAL --
USUN 715)

8. INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION --

EC-9 PREPARED DRAFT TEXT OF MESSAGE TO THE SYG, TO BE DELIVERED
ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR ELIMINATION
OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION MARCH 21, WHICH REITERATES
THEIR OPPOSITION TO ALL FORMS OF RACIAL, RELIGIOUS AND
POLITICAL DISCRIMINATION, WHEREVER THEY MAY OCCUR, AND
ASSURES AND SYG OF THEIR DETERMINATION TO WORK FOR AN
END TO THOSE PRACTICES BY ALL MEANS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE
UN CHARTER. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 709)

9. JDL SIT-IN AT ISRAELI CONSULATE GENERAL --

SIX MEMBERS OF JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE (JDL), LED BY RABBI
MEIR KAHANE, CONDUCTED SIT-IN (ELEVATOR LOBBY) OUTSIDE
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ISRAELI CONSULATE GENERAL MARCH 9. KAHANE REQUESTED MEETING
WITH ISRAEL OFFICIAL, WHICH WAS REFUSED. AFTER AN HOUR,

GROUP DESCENDED TO STREET IN FRONT OF CONSULATE, WAS JOINED BY SIX ADDITIONAL JDL MEMBERS, AND DEMONSTRATED FOR ANOTHER HOUR, DURING WHICH TIME GARBAGE BAGS FILLED WITH DIRT (REPRESENTING ISRAELI SOIL) WERE DUMPED ON SIDEWALK. GROUP ASSERTED PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATION WAS TO CALL ON ISRAEL NOT TO GIVE UP ONE INCH OF ISRAELI SOIL. PLACARDS READ: "JEWISH MILITANTS NOW OCCUPY ISRAELI CONSULATE" AND "JEWISH HANDS HOLD JEWISH LANDS." (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 696)

10. DEMONSTRATION AT PRC UN MISSION --

FIFTEEN INDIVIDUALS UNDER AUSPICES "FRIENDS OF TIBETAN FREEDOM" CONDUCTED HOUR-LONG DEMONSTRATION MARCH 10 IN FRONT OF PRC MISSION TO UN TO PROTEST POLICIES OF GOVERNMENT OF PRC TOWARD TIBET. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 706)

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11. UN SPECIAL FUND FOR LANDLOCKED COUNTRIES --

AFGHANISTAN, BY NOTE, REQUESTED THAT THE USG SEEK MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UN SPECIAL FUND FOR LANDLOCKED COUNTRIES. THE NOTE STATED AFGHANISTAN BELIEVES USG MEMBERSHIP WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF THE FUND AND BE OF SIGNIFICANT IMPORTANCE FOR MAINTAINING THE NECESSARY BALANCE. (USUN 700)

12. US CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS --

ON MARCH 8, THE US DEPOSITED THE EQUIVALENT OF \$265,000 IN US-OWNED PAKISTAN RUPEES TO AN UNDP ACCOUNT IN ISLAMABAD, REPRESENTING AN ADDITIONAL US PARTIAL CONTRIBUTION TOWARD ITS 1977 ASSESSMENT FOR THE UN REGULAR BUDGET. ON MARCH 10, CONFIDENTIAL

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THE US DEPOSITED THE EQUIVALENT OF \$200,000 IN US-OWNED SRI LANKA RUPEES TO AN UNDP ACCOUNT IN COLOMBO, REPRESENTING AN ADDITIONAL PARTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO UNDP FOR 1977. USUN WAS PROVIDED RECEIPTS FROM THE UN FOR USG CONTRIBUTIONS MADE DIRECTLY BY AID TO THE UN TRUST FUND FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND PROJECTIONS. THE FIRST FOR \$90,000 REPRESENTS AN INCREASE IN LETTER OF CREDIT 72-00-1009, AND THE OTHER FOR \$236,300 REFLECTS A DEPOSIT MADE AT THE CHEMICAL BANK IN NEW YORK, ORIGINALLY TO ECA'S ACCOUNT FOR AN UNSPECIFIED PURPOSE.

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